



# Friday Flyer

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2016

Summer Term 4

## Living, Loving and Learning Together in God's Way

### LEARNING



#### Stars of the week



FS2	Jessie	1	Edie
2	Harry	3	Bonnie
4	Molly	5	Matthew
6	Edward		

#### This week's Pray awards

FS2	Lara	1	Abigail
2	Holly	3	Kaoni
4	Charlie B	5	Imogene
6	Demelza		

#### Prefects

Congratulations to Eddie who is our newly appointed Year 6 Prefect. Well done!

#### Attendance Award

The results for week commencing 25<sup>th</sup> April are as follows:

Class FS2	98.04%	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Class 1	97.33%	
<b>Class 2</b>	<b>99.57%</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>
Class 3	98.57%	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Class 4	97.24%	
Class 5	95.15%	
Class 6	97.86%	

Congratulations to Class 2 for two weeks running, well done!

#### Safeguarding and Reporting Absences

Parents are required to inform the school of the reason for a child's absence before 9.00am on the day of the absence. This can be done at any time by leaving a message on 01626 773905 or by e-mail [office@olsp-rc.devon.sch.uk](mailto:office@olsp-rc.devon.sch.uk)

Parents should telephone the school on the first day of absence. Parents of children whose absences are still unexplained by 10am will be telephoned on all contact numbers provided to the school.

If school staff are unable to make contact with parent/ carers, and no explanation of the child's whereabouts is obtained, the school will contact the local community police who will undertake a "safeguarding attendance" sweep of the child's given address.

We wish to ensure the safety of children, especially for older year 5 and 6 children who may walk to school on their own. Please therefore help us in keeping us fully informed of absences from school.

# LIVING



## To all Parents/Carers and Children in Class 6,

We are very proud of our school and we aim to serve our community by providing an education of the highest quality reflecting our Christian belief which is the foundation of all that we do. We place a strong emphasis on challenging and supporting every pupil to aspire, and achieve academic and personal success while we strive to nurture the God given talents and skills of our children and staff.

Our vision is to be a stimulating, safe and inspiring learning environment where all members of our community work in partnership to achieve the best for every child. As a faith school we believe that every child is uniquely created by God and special to him. High self-esteem is one of the keys to success in life and we aim to ensure that our pupils leave us as caring, happy and confident young people, equipped with academic skills, a social conscience, trust in God and an enthusiasm to continue their learning. This coming week our Year 6 children will sit SATs test for maths, reading, spelling, grammar and punctuation. Children - we know how hard you have worked, but there is something very important you must know: The SATs tests do not assess all of what makes each of you special and unique. The people who create these tests and score them do not know each of you the way that we do and certainly not in the way your families do.

They do not know that some of you speak two or more languages or that you love to sing or draw. They have not seen your natural talent for dancing or playing a musical instrument. They do not know that your friends can count on you to be there for them; that your laugh can brighten the darkest day or that your face turns red when you feel shy. They do not know that you participate in sports, wonder about the future, or sometimes help your little brother or sister after school. They do not know that you are kind, trustworthy and thoughtful and that every day you try to be your very best. They do not know about your faithfulness or integrity, your dignity or your compassion. They probably didn't hear you singing beautifully on the radio! The results you will get from this test will tell you something, but they will not tell you everything. There are so many ways of being smart. You are all smart! So while you are preparing for the test and in the midst of it all, remember that there is no way to 'test' all of the amazing and awesome things that make, YOU!

As Aristotle told us **“Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all”**

So our lovely friends ... sleep, rest, believe! Good luck... but please remember that we and God love you just the way you are and that, although important, this is only one week that is one small part of the rest of your lives!

Best Wishes from all at Our Lady and St Patrick's School

**Mrs Sarah Barreto**

## A Pupil's Account of this Week's Dartmoor 2Ball Festival at Teignmouth Community School

“On Wednesday Class 5 went to TCS and did a Striking and Fielding Festival. We did some fun activities and some fun games. It was based on cricket and was really fun. Some people found it harder than others and we did catching the balls and trying to get scores. We got to play two different games of cricket. Bishopsteignton School, Shaldon School and TCS Mill Lane also took part. It was really fun and I liked it; it was very easy for us and we had a great day playing cricket. Loved it!” by Matthew Class 5.

## Hogwarts Exhibition at Hannah's Seale-Hayne

Please see the attached poster to find out more about this vibrant exhibition that will be on show this Summer. For further information on this exhibition and the other magnificent works that Hannah's does, visit [www.discoverhannahs.org/harrypotter](http://www.discoverhannahs.org/harrypotter)

## Upcoming Dates for your Diary

Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>St John's Ambulance Training Y6</b>
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Helen Armstrong Head Teacher from Poole visiting school</b>
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> May 10.30am -12.20pm	<b>First Holy Communion Session 5 for children</b>
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> May to 5 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>HALF TERM WEEK</b>
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Return to school</b>
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June pm	<b>Queen's 90th Birthday Picnic on school field</b>
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> to Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Healthy Eating Week</b>
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	<b>Sports Day</b>
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Mass OLSP Church Y3,4,5 and 6 for SS Peter and Paul 10am</b>
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Music Day at Buckfast Abbey Y6</b>
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Pilgrimage to Door of Mercy at Plymouth Cathedral Y6</b>
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Summer Music Project Y5</b>
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Y6 Leavers' Liturgy in school hall</b>
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Friends OLSP Summer BBQ</b>
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>End of Term Mass and Last Day of Term</b>



**LOVING**

# Ascension of the Lord



**“Let us ask our Lord to help us bear shining witness to his mercy and his love in every area of our lives.”**

**Pope Francis**



### First Holy Communion

The next meeting for children will be held on **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May from 10.30am to 12.30pm at Our Lady & St Patrick's Church** when we will be learning to understand more about the Eucharist. We look forward to seeing you there.

### Sharing Sunday's Gospel

In Sunday's Gospel we hear about the decisive moment when Jesus blessed his apostles, who witnessed his resurrection from the dead and his ascension into heaven. The word *apostle* means someone who is sent. With his blessing, Jesus sends his apostles to carry on witnessing to God's message of forgiveness and love for all people.

Jesus returned to heaven to be with God. I wonder how the disciples felt when Jesus left them. We hear that they were joyful. I wonder why they weren't sad that Jesus had left them. Perhaps it was because the disciples really knew by then that Jesus was the Son of God. And that even though he was now with God, rather than on earth, Jesus would always be with them.

### How does it make you feel to know that Jesus loves you and is always with you?

Our school and parish are founded in the name of Jesus. They continue to give witness to God's love for all people- creating awareness in each new generation of the joy which comes from living in close relationship with God.

### What will you do this week to spread happiness to others, at home, at school and around the world? How will you show Jesus' love to others?

Perhaps we can:

Be kind and loving in our everyday words and actions

Be fair and generous

Pray and ask the Holy Spirit to make us good witnesses for Jesus

**God of joy, we thank you for all the good things you have given us and for the happiness we feel. Help us to share what we have with each other, so that all people may be filled with joy. Amen.**

(Adapted from the Wednesday Word)



**During the month of May, we are thinking really hard about smiling and having fun.**

**How can we spread happiness in our home, school and parish community?**

Are you really finding time to pray, talk and listen to God this week?



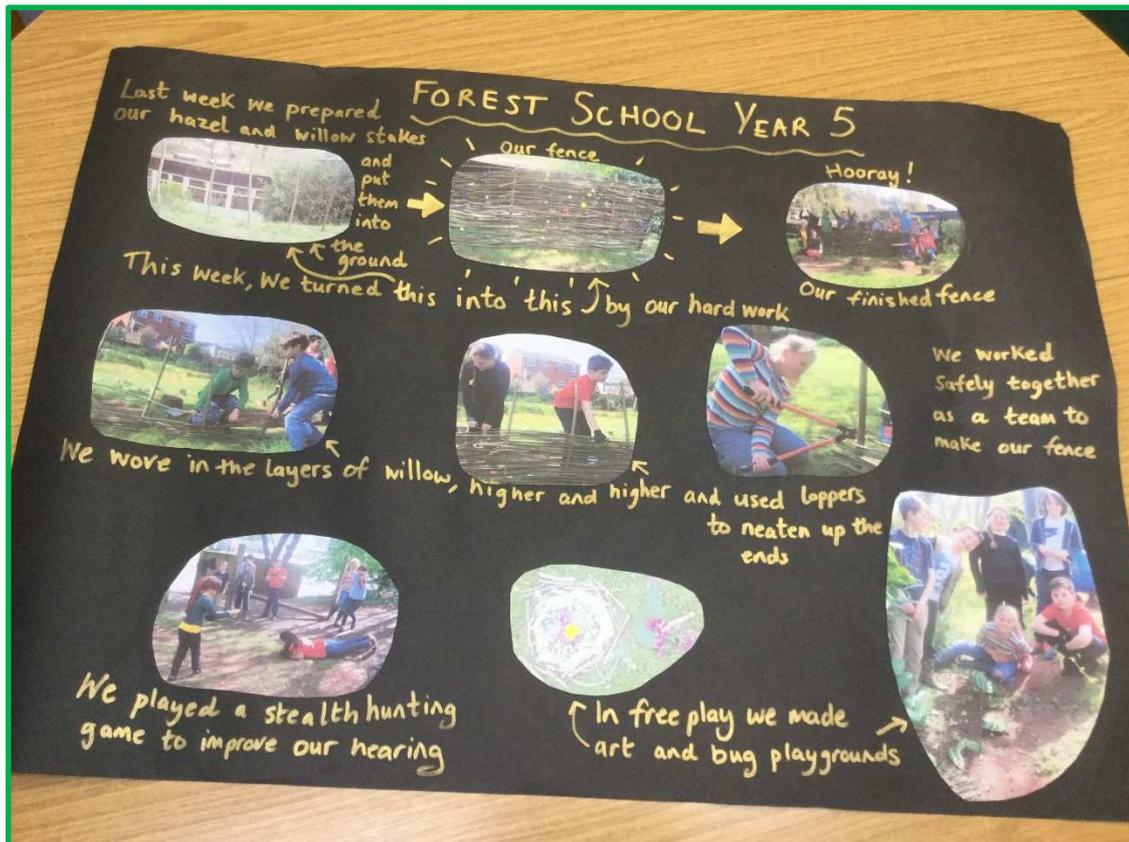
**We wish you all a weekend full of joy. Mrs Sarah Barreto** Head Teacher



## Forest School

During the last two Forest School sessions, some of the children from Class 5 have made a beautiful willow fence on our field. The children worked very hard and are extremely proud of their work. Please take a moment to look at the poster in the display case by the KS2 gate to see the stages of this project.

# We love Forest School!



# WOW!

